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## Vaccine E-Letter # 274

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### **State Vaccine Orders**

Providers can determine whether an arriving order is their State Funded Vaccine by looking at the order date on the invoice. All State Funded Vaccine is ordered on the 25<sup>th</sup> of the month. That would mean that your invoice order date for State Funded Vaccine for March will read either March 25 or March 26.

### **Vaccine Ordering Update: Hib**

As listed in previous issues of the *Vaccine E-Letter*, all regular vaccine orders should be submitted from the 25<sup>th</sup> of the previous month through the 5<sup>th</sup> of the month you are ordering in. Orders submitted during this time are processed first and are eligible for Hib vaccine. Orders for Hib vaccine submitted after the deadline may not be filled if all available Hib vaccine has been allocated. Please remember to submit your vaccine orders no later than the 5th.

### **The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) Posts Questions and Answers About the New Multi-Vaccine Vaccine Information Statement (VIS)**

*Copied from Immunization news from the Immunization Action Coalition, IAC Express #715*

On January 30, 2008, CDC posted a multi-vaccine VIS on its website. This new VIS may be used in place of individual VISs whenever routine birth through 6-month vaccines (DTaP, IPV, Hib, hepatitis B, PCV, and rotavirus) are administered, or when combination vaccines are used (e.g., Pediarix or Comvax).

The multi-vaccine VIS is available from the IAC website at [http://www.immunize.org/vis/vis\\_multi1.pdf](http://www.immunize.org/vis/vis_multi1.pdf) and the CDC website at <http://www.cdc.gov/vaccines/pubs/vis/downloads/vis-multi.pdf>.

Because many healthcare professionals have had questions about using this new resource, CDC has added a "Frequently Asked Questions" page to its website at <http://www.cdc.gov/vaccines/pubs/vis/multi-vis-faqs.htm>. If you have a question about the new VIS that is not covered in the above, please email [crw4@cdc.gov](mailto:crw4@cdc.gov)

### **Frequently Asked Question: Requirements to Implement Advisory Council for Immunization Practices (ACIP) Recommended Vaccines**

**Question:**

Do the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) and grantees have any federal requirement to implement ACIP-recommended vaccines?

**Answer:**

CDC and immunization programs that receive VFC funds are required to implement ACIP-recommended vaccines for which there are VFC resolutions and for which federal contracts have been established to purchase these vaccines. When using 317, state and local funds for immunizations, implementation of all ACIP recommendations is not required.

### **Children and Hoosiers Immunization Registry Program (CHIRP) Tip**

Always use legal first name and legal last name when entering patient demographics. If the patient has a nickname, place that in the Alias First Name or Alias Last Name field. If the patient's legal name is "Robert Maurice Wilson", but goes by "Rocky Wilson", put his legal name in the first and last name fields, and "Rocky" in the alias first name field. He will appear on the search screen whether you search for "Robert Wilson" or "Rocky Wilson".

### **CHIRP Informational Sessions – New This Year!**

CHIRP Informational Sessions are designed for NON-CHIRP users interested in learning more about the benefits of using CHIRP in their facility or practice. The agenda includes A) What is CHIRP; B) Benefits of using CHIRP; C) CHIRP's role in State Funded vaccine; and D) How to enroll in CHIRP.

March 31, 2008  
1:00pm – 2:30pm EST  
Clarian Arnett South  
Greenbush Clinic  
2600 Greenbush St  
Lafayette, IN 47904

## **CHIRP User Group Meeting – For *Current* CHIRP Users**

This session is designed for *CURRENT* CHIRP users who are interested in learning about upcoming changes or who have specific questions regarding CHIRP usage. The agenda includes A) System Status; B) Current Issues; C) Upcoming Changes; D) Training – State Funded vaccine management and eligibility; E) Monitoring Data Quality; and F) Questions/Answers

*Call (888) 227-4439 or go to the CHIRP.IN.GOV to register.*

March 31, 2008

9:30pm – 11:30pm EST

The Kathryn Well Center

415 N 26<sup>th</sup> St

Lafayette, IN 47904

## **Indiana Immunization Coalition Meeting - Location Change**

March 27, 2008 from 12:00 -3:00 PM

Conference Room B – Indiana Government Center

Indiana Government Center

402 West Washington Street

Indianapolis, Indiana

## **Contact Us**

For questions and comments, please contact the ISDH Immunization Program at:  
[Immunize@ISDH.IN.gov](mailto:Immunize@ISDH.IN.gov) or 800-701-0704.